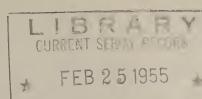
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From

R. W. Morgan, Administrative Officer

Subject

Employment of Practicing Veterinarians on a Fee Basis

I PURPOSE

Paragraph V as set forth below should be used in place of the existing paragraph V of ADE Branch Memorandum No. 508.18, dated December 2, 1954.

V INJURY COMPENSATION

The Bureau of Employees' Compensation has rendered an opinion that fee-basis veterinarians may be considered as employees of the United States within the meaning of Section 40 of the Federal Employees' compensation Act, and are therefore eligible to receive the benefits of the Act in the event of injury or death in the performance of duty.

Duty-incurred injuries to fee-basis veterinarians should be reported in the same manner as injuries to other ADE Branch employees. Because of the unusual nature of their working conditions, particular attention should be devoted to a thorough documentation of such injuries. (See A.M. 451.2, dated 4/20/54.) Complete information in reporting these injuries will prevent the necessity of additional communications and delays in the adjudication of claims.

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